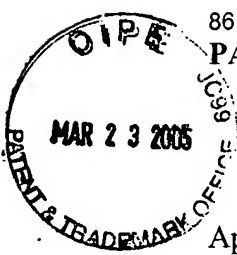


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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO  
23 SEPTEMBER 2004 OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This amendment is in response to a Non-Final Office Action issued in connection with the above-identified application on September 23, 2004. The September 23<sup>rd</sup> Office Action sets a three-month period in which to file a response. Accordingly, a response to the outstanding Office Action was due December 23, 2004. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), an Extension of Time of three months is hereby requested and a check for the appropriate amount is enclosed. In light of the Extension of Time, the period for filing a response to the September 23, 2004 Office Action now expires March 23, 2005 and the present Amendment is timely filed.

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